

NEWS RELEASE

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BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet in regular session on Wednesday, December 7, 2005, in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. with an informal briefing session conducted by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining and the formal agenda will begin at 10:00 a.m.

During the informal session members will be briefed on procedures for gathering and evaluating nominations for 2006 Earth Day Awards and reclamation work conducted at the White Oak Coal Mine in Carbon County. A working luncheon will also be held in Room 1010 following the formal agenda. The Division of Oil, Gas and Mining will present a year-end review. This meeting is open to the public, but no lunch will be provided to the public.

AGENDA

1. Docket No. 2005-013, Cause Nos. M/049/009, M/049/024, E/049/046 – In the Matter of the Petition by the DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING for an Order Directing the Attorney General to Recover Civil Penalties, Withdrawing the Notices of Intention, and Requiring Immediate Reclamation or Forfeiting Sureties for the Apex/Burgin Mine (M/049/009), Trixie Shaft Mine Area (M/049/024), and the Trixie West Exploration Area (E/049/046); the Chief Consolidated Mining Co. d/b/a Chief Gold Mine, South Standard Mining Company, and Tintic Utah Metals, LLC; in Sections 11, 15, 21, 22 and 28, Township 10 South, Range 2 West, SLB&M, Utah County, Utah.

A motion has been made to continue this matter to January 25, 2006.

2. Docket No. 2005-016, Cause No. 243-10 – In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of CONOCO-PHILLIPS Company for an Order Pooling the Interests of Travis Henrie and Bobbie A. Henrie, Joint Tenants, and the Unknown Heirs of Harry Kelly in the Drilling Unit Comprised of the NE¹/₄ of Section 29, Township 14 South, Range 10 East, SLM, Carbon County, Utah.

This matter has been withdrawn.

3. Docket No. 2005-018, Cause Nos. DAR 28337-28341 – In the Matter of Formal Rulemaking to Amend the Minerals Regulatory Program Rules at Utah Administrative Code R647-1 (Minerals Regulatory Program), R647-2 (Exploration), R647-3 (Small Mining Operations), R647-4 (Large Mining Operations), and R647-5 (Administrative Procedures).

Public comments will be received by the Board.

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